

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re: EPHEDRA PRODUCTS LIABILITY  
LITIGATION

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PERTAINS TO ALL CASES

STATUS ORDER (INCLUDING CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER NO.27)

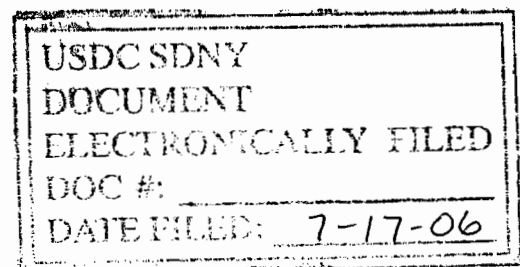
JED S. RAKOFF, U.S.D.J.

At the monthly status conference held on July 6, 2006, the Court made the following rulings, which are hereby confirmed (and in some instances modified and supplemented) as follows:

1. The next status conference will be held, as previously scheduled, at 4:30 pm on Tuesday, August 1, 2006.

2. The Canadian Monitor's motion in the MuscleTech bankruptcy to enforce the Claims Resolution Order entered on June 8, 2006, by the Ontario Superior Court, as modified in light of issues raised at the status conference, was granted by separate order, contingent on further approval by the Ontario Superior Court. An opinion setting forth the Court's reasons will follow.

3. A motion was granted under Rule 17(c), Fed. R. Civ. P., in *Brooks v. Vitamin World*, No. 05 Civ. 3898, to substitute as plaintiff Joaquin Buckley, the 12-year-old son of the deceased plaintiff Joaquina Brooks, and to appoint Joaquin's grandmother, Peggy Brooks, as his next friend.



SO ORDERED.

Dated: New York, New York  
July 13, 2006

  
JED S. RAKOFF, U.S.D.J.